## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Maine Public Utilities Commission,	)	Docket No. EL07-38-000
Complainant,	)	
	)	
V.	)	
	)	
ISO New England Inc.	)	
Respondent.	)	

## JOINT STATUS REPORT REGARDING COMPLAINT OF THE MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION AND ISO NEW ENGLAND, INC.

Pursuant to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's ("FERC" or "Commission") June 19, 2007 Notice of Extension of Time, the Maine Public Utilities Commission ("MPUC") and ISO New England Inc. ("ISO-NE") respectfully request that the Commission continue to hold in abeyance the Complaint filed in the above-captioned proceeding, including the answer by ISO-NE.

On June 18, 2007, the MPUC and ISO-NE filed a Joint Status Report with respect to the Complaint filed by the MPUC on February 26, 2007. In that submittal, MPUC and ISO-NE requested that the proceeding continue to be held in abeyance and the date for filing answers to the MPUC's Complaint again be extended for at least an additional sixty days in order to facilitate settlement in related Docket No. ER07-397-000 and also to facilitate discussions among the MPUC, ISO-NE and the New England Power Pool regarding the convening of stakeholder process to resolve the cost allocation issues raised in the Complaint.

On June 19, 2007, the Commission issued its Notice of Extension of Time, in which it stated that "[u]pon consideration, notice is hereby given that an extension of

time for filing answers to MPUC's Complaint is granted to and including August 17, 2007, at which time the ISO-NE will submit a status report to the Commission in this docket."

In the Joint Status Report submitted on June 18, 2007, the MPUC and ISO-NE explained that on Wednesday, June 6, 2007, a settlement in principle was reached among the parties to Docket No. ER07-397-000, with certain carve-outs with respect to the "double recovery" issues raised both in the instant Complaint docket and in the Request for Rehearing submitted by the MPUC in Docket No. ER07-397-000. The Joint Status Report also explained that discussions are ongoing among the MPUC, ISO-NE and the New England Power Pool with respect to the cost allocation issues raised in the instant Complaint docket, and are expected to end by the fourth quarter of 2007.

The parties to Docket No. ER07-397-000 are still working to develop the settlement documents in that Docket and to determine their effect on the instant Complaint; and a stakeholder process is still ongoing among the MPUC, ISO-NE and NEPOOL which may resolve the cost allocation issue raised in the Complaint. For these reasons, the MPUC and ISO-NE jointly request that the Commission continue to hold the instant Complaint proceeding in abeyance, including the requirement that ISO-NE submit an answer to the Complaint, for an additional sixty (60) days, at which time the MPUC and ISO-NE will submit another status report to the Commission.

Wherefore, for the foregoing reasons, the MPUC and ISO-NE jointly request that the Commission continue to hold in abeyance the Complaint filed in the above-captioned proceeding, including the answer by ISO-NE.

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Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon each person designated on the service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding either by U.S. Mail or electronic service, as appropriate. Dated at Washington, D.C., this 14th day of August, 2007.

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